1 OFFICIAL FILING BY FACSIMILE 2 TRANSMISSION ON FEBRUARY 21,2007 TO 3 FACSIMILE #703 308 5065, FOR OFFICE 4 **OF PUBLICATIONS #571 272 4200** 5 Response 39 pages, Drawings 0 sheets Our Ref. No. P-1427-001 6 Terminal Disclaimer Exhibits \_0\_\_ pages 7 Total Fax pages 39 8 IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE 9 In Re Application of: BEIERLE Date: February 21, 2007 10 11 Serial No. 10/669,666 Group Art Unit: 1764 Filed: September 23, 2003 Examiner: Jennifer A. Leung 12 For: METHOD OF PRODUCING 13 CHARCOAL, CONDITIONED GAS AND POTASSIUM FROM BIOMASS 14 AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE AFTER PAYMENT OF ISSUANCE FEE TO 15 OFFICE OF PUBLICATION RE: INCONSISTENCY WITH SPECIFICATION 16 Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks 17 Washington, D.C. 20231 Dear Commissioner: 18 19 In response to the Notice of Drawing Inconsistency with Specification from the 20 Office of Publications dated January 31, 2007, please consider the following: Response is Timely Filed. 21 22 The applicant respectfully observes that this response is timely filed. However, 23 the Examiner is hereby authorized to deduct other fees owing from the deposit account of 24 Liebler, Ivey & Connor, P.S./Floyd E. Ivey, 35,552, Deposit account No. 50-0607. 25 26 27 Certificate of facsimile filing Application No. 10/669,666 28 Z. DClicnt Beierle, FV ntent/Improvement Patent/Response/Response.061030/Response Inconsistency. Office Publications, FINAL. 070221, wpd

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## I. INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

<u>Correction of Inconsistency</u> The Office of Publications has Noticed a Drawing Inconsistency with Specification mailing date January 31, 2007. The Office of Publications has required that response be made within one month or thirty (30) days, whichever is longer.

Your applicant now responds in accordance with MPEP 714.16(d) which states in pertinent part:

III.AMENDMENT'S REQUIRED BY THE OFFICE OF PATENT PUBLICATION

37 CFR 1.312, however, does not permit an amendment after the payment of the issue fee without withdrawal of the application from issue. In order to be able to accept such an amendment as may be required without having to withdraw an application from issue, effective February 24, 2004, PUBS has been delegated the authority to waive the requirement of 37 CFR 1.312 and accept an amendment filed after the payment of the issue fee. Furthermore, these amendments required by PUBS may be hand delivered to PUBS located at:

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Applicants may also fax these amendments required by PUBS to (703) 308 5065.

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II. NO NEW MATTER ADDED- Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.125, there is no new matter added with this amendment to the Specification upon Notice of Drawing Inconsistency with Specification.

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A markup of the entire Specification, as amended at page 5, is attached. A clean copy of the entire Specificatiion as amended is provided. Certificate of facsimile filing Application No. 10/669,666 

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Fig. 6 illustrates a detail from Fig. 3 showing the funnel means (200) having a slope,  $\theta$ 

(210) at the funnel side (220), relative to a vertical, and of the charcoal discharge funnel means (230) having a slope,  $\theta$  (240) of charcoal discharge funnel slope (240) relative to a

vertical where the slope will be greater than approximately 45 degrees and are preferred

at approximately 60 degrees and showing that both the funnel means (200) and the charcoal discharge funnel means (230) are primarily inverted conical in structure.

III. Amendment to the Specification.

At page 5 of the application line 19 add the following:

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IV. Remarks

The Office of Publications has given Notice of Drawing Inconsistency with Specification. At page 5 of the application in the Brief Description of the Drawings, there was not reference to Fig. 6. The reference to Fig. 6 has been added commencing at page 5/line 19.

With this fax is a Markup of the original application showing where the reference to Fig. 6 is added at page 5/line 19.

With this fax is a Clean Copy of the application with the addition of the reference to Fig. 6 at page 5/line 19.

## SUMMARY OF THE AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Your applicant has made a good faith effort to respond to the Notice from the Office of Publication of January 31, 2007. Your applicant has addressed the inconsistency raised by the Office of Publications. Your applicant respectfully requests the Office of Publications to accept the correction and to advance this application to Publication.

Respectfully submitted,

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